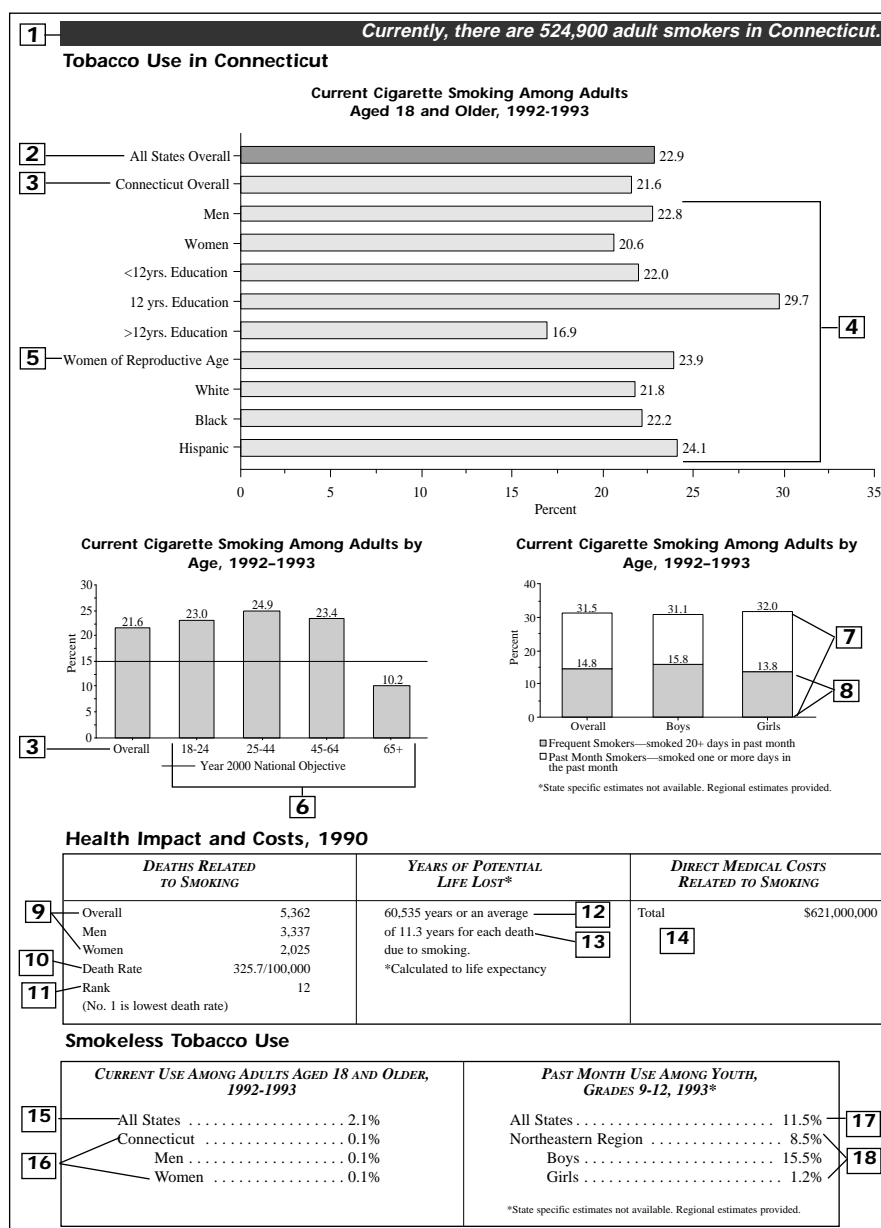


# How to Interpret the State Highlights

- 1) Number of current smokers from 1992-1993 data. Number of current smokers + number of former smokers + number of never smokers = state adult population, January 1, 1993.
- 2) Mean (average) percentage of adults who were current smokers from all states participating in the BRFSS.
- 3) Percentage of adults who were current smokers in the state.
- 4) Percentage of subgroups that were current smokers in the state.
- 5) Reproductive age is 18-44 years.
- 6) Percentage of adults who were current smokers in the state, by age group.
- 7) Percentage of 9-12 graders in the state or region who smoked in the past month.
- 8) Percentage of 9-12 graders in the state or region who smoked 20 or more days in the past month.
- 9) Number of deaths related to smoking in the state.
- 10) Death rate attributable to smoking for adults aged 35 years and older in the state.
- 11) National rank of state death rate due to smoking.
- 12) Total number of years of life lost in the state due to smoking-related deaths. Based on individual's life expectancy at the time of death.
- 13) Years of potential life lost in the state divided by the overall number of deaths due to smoking in the state.



- 14) Annual direct medical care costs (e.g., doctor and hospital costs, prescription drugs, etc.) related to smoking in the state for 1990. Costs do not take into account differences in life expectancy between smokers and nonsmokers and therefore do not reflect total lifetime medical care costs.
- 15) Percentage of adults who were current users of smokeless tobacco in the United States.
- 16) Percentage of adults who were current users of smokeless tobacco in the state.
- 17) Percentage of 9-12 graders in the United States who used smokeless tobacco in the past month.
- 18) Percentage of 9-12 graders in the state or region who used smokeless tobacco in the past month.
- 19) Number of former smokers from 1992-1993 data. Number of current smokers + number of former smokers + number of never smokers = state adult population, January 1, 1993.
- 20) State tobacco control laws, December 1, 1995. Does not include regulations.
- 21) State cigarette excise tax per pack, December 1, 1995.
- 22) National rank of state cigarette tax.
- 23) Federal tax + state tax divided by average retail price (includes generic cigarettes), November 1, 1994.
- 24) Net state cigarette tax revenues, fiscal year ending June 30, 1994.

**19** However, another 685,900 adults in Connecticut have quit smoking.

**Tobacco Control Legislation, 1995** **20**

**21** Excise Tax  
Cigarette tax per pack ..... 50¢

**22** Rank = 9 (No. 1 is highest tax)

**23** Federal and state taxes as a percentage of retail price ..... 36.0%

**24** Annual net tax revenue from cigarettes ..... \$118,080,000

**25** Smokeless tobacco tax: 20% of wholesale sales price.

**Minors' Access to Tobacco Products** **27**  
Minimum age for sale: 18

**28** Illegal for minors to purchase, possess, or use: Yes

**29** Restrictions on Vending Machines  
Vending machines must be located where minors cannot access them unless machines are supervised.

**30** Signage  
Signs required on premises and affixed to vending machines.

**31** Licensure  
Retail license and vending machine license required.

**32** Penalties  
Penalties to business owner, manager, or clerk.  
Revocation/suspension of license for violation.

**26** State Preempts Local Laws

**Advertising** **33**

**Smokefree Indoor Air** **35** **36** **37** **38** **39**

Site	100% Smokefree	Designated smoking areas with separate ventilation	Designated smoking areas required or allowed	None	To businesses	To smokers
State govt. worksites						
Private worksites						
Restaurants						
Day care centers						
Grocery stores						

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**Tobacco Economy**

**40** Tobacco Agriculture, 1994  
Acres harvested ..... 1,600  
Production in pounds ..... 2,578,000

**41** Cash receipts from tobacco ..... \$24,000,000

**42** Rank 10 of 16 tobacco producing states (No. 1 is highest cash receipts)  
Tobacco as a percentage of cash receipts from crops and all farm commodities ..... 5.1%

**43** Tobacco Manufacturing, 1992  
Overall tobacco manufacturing ..... \$76,000,000

**44** Tobacco manufacturing as a percentage of gross state product ..... 0.8%

**Tobacco Use Prevention and Control Program**

**45** Funding: CDC IMPACT

**46** Regional Network: Tobacco-Free New England

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- 25) State smokeless tobacco excise tax rate, December 1, 1995.
- 26) Whether state law preempts local laws on smokefree indoor air, minors' access, and advertising.
- 27) Age at which individuals must be for tobacco products to be sold to them.
- 28) Whether it is illegal for a minor to purchase, possess, or use tobacco.
- 29) Restrictions on vending machine placement, and requirements for supervision and locking devices.
- 30) Whether signs on minors' access restrictions must be located on the premises of a retail establishment or on vending machines.
- 31) Whether a retail over-the-counter or vending machine license is required for sales of tobacco products.
- 32) Whether penalties are incurred by business owners, managers, or clerks who sell tobacco products to minors, and whether the retail tobacco license may be suspended or revoked if tobacco products are sold to minors.
- 33) Whether there are any restrictions on advertising of tobacco products.
- 34) Whether there are restrictions on smoking in various sites.
- 35) No smoking is allowed at the specified site.
- 36) No smoking is allowed or smoking is permitted in designated areas that have separate ventilation.

- 37) In states that allow designated smoking areas, sites may exceed that minimum requirement and become smokefree. In states that require designated smoking areas, sites may not become smokefree.
- 38) No restrictions on smoking at the site.
- 39) Whether penalties for violating smoking restrictions are assessed on the business or on the smoker.
- 40) Number of acres of tobacco harvested and number of pounds of tobacco harvested.
- 41) Cash receipts from tobacco (gross value of the crop at auction). Only tobacco-growing states are included in the ranking.
- 42) Percentage of total crops and farm commodities that is accounted for by tobacco.
- 43) Tobacco manufacturing (includes expenditures for tobacco company administrative offices).
- 44) Percentage of gross state product that is accounted for by tobacco manufacturing.
- 45) Whether state receives federal funding through the CDC's IMPACT program or the National Cancer Institute's ASSIST program and whether the state receives funding from the American Medical Association/Robert Wood Johnson Foundation SmokeLess States program.
- 46) Regional tobacco control network to which the state belongs.
- 47) State tobacco use prevention and control contact person and information.